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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
- against -
MICHAEL ORTHODOX,
Defendant.
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COMPLAINT

(18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1))

EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, SS:

Johnny O'Brien, being duly sworn, deposes and states that he is a Deputy U.S. Marshal with the United States Marshals Service, duly appointed according to law and acting as such.

On or about September 25, 2013, within the Eastern District of New York and elsewhere, the defendant MICHAEL ORTHODOX, having been convicted in a court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, did knowingly and intentionally possess in and affected commerce a firearm, to wit: a .45 caliber Springfield semiautomatic pistol and an AK47 assault rifle.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1))

The source of your deponent's information and the grounds for his belief are as follows:¹

- 1. I have been a Deputy U.S. Marshal with the United States Marshals

 Service ("USMS") for approximately 12 years. I am responsible for conducting investigations into fugitives and assisting in their apprehensions. I have participated in investigations involving search warrants and arrest warrants. I am familiar with the facts and circumstances set forth below from my participation in the investigation; my review of the investigative file, including the defendant's criminal history record; and from reports of other law enforcement officers involved in the investigation.
- 2. On July 10, 2013, an arrest warrant was issued for the defendant MICHAEL ORTHODOX by the Honorable Dora L. Irizarry for the defendant's failure to appear in court in connection with a violation of supervised release. On September 25, 2013, at approximately 11:30 a.m., I responded to an address in Brooklyn, New York (the "Brooklyn address") with a group of other officers to execute the arrest warrant. After receiving consent to search the Brooklyn address, officers entered and began to search.
- 3. Shortly after the search began, Deputy Inspector General Edward Richards of the Department of Investigations and Sergeant Craig Bier and Detective Edward Colucci of the New York City Police Department observed the defendant, who they recognized to be MICHAEL ORTHODOX, exit through a door in the back of the residence. The defendant was arrested and a loaded .45 caliber Springfield semiautomatic pistol was recovered from his waist band.

Because the purpose of this Complaint is to set forth only those facts necessary to establish probable cause to arrest, I have not described all the relevant facts and circumstances of which I am aware.

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4. A search of the basement of the Brooklyn address revealed a loaded AK47 assault rifle on top of a table in the kitchen, among other items, including, but not limited to, masks and handcuffs.

5. After being advised of his rights, the defendant admitted, in substance, that the loaded .45 caliber Springfield semiautomatic pistol and the AK47 and ammunition belonged to him.

6. I have reviewed criminal history records for the defendant, which reveal that on or about August 15, 2008, the defendant was convicted in the Eastern District of New York of being a felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g), and sentenced to 37 months' incarceration and 36 months' supervised release.

7. I have spoken with an ATF interstate nexus expert, who informs me that the above-mentioned firearms were manufactured outside the State of New York.

WHEREFORE, your deponent respectfully requests that the defendant

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